**Vacant accommodation for tenure pool officers**

2146. DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA A. HEPTULLA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Directorate of Estates has been keeping type IV, DII, and DI accommodation vacant for tenure pool officers which is restricted only for the All India Service officers, whereas the officers who come on posting are required to be accommodated in transit accommodation first;

(b) whether Government are aware that vacant accommodation in the name of tenure pool denies other Central Government officers of accommodation as per their entitlements and also causes loss to revenues;

(c) if so, whether Government would adopt uniform policy of allotment on the basis of pay scales; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) (a) and (b) As per the Allotment of Government residences (General Pool in Delhi) Rules, 1963, Tenure Officers Pool is maintained for the officers of the Indian Administrative Service, Indian Forest Service and Indian Police Service on duty with the Central Government or the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi on tenure basis. Where officers eligible for Tenure Pool accommodation are not temporarily available, the Tenure Pool accommodation is allotted to the officers eligible for General Pool and *vice versa*.

(c) and (d) Entitlement for various types of accommodation is decided in respect of Tenure Pool and General Pool based on emoluments drawn by officers on the cut off date. This policy is uniformly applicable in respect of all employees.

**Encroachment on DDA land**

†2147. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the DDA land under illegal occupation and the locations thereof;

(b) the officials responsible for the illegal occupation; and

(c) the action Government have taken to vacate the same?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) (a) DDA has reported that approximately 1400 acres of DDA land is under encroachment/unauthorized occupation by jhuggi jhonpari clusters, unauthorized colonies etc.

(b) DDA has also reported that when any irregularity is reported, action is taken as per DDA conduct rules.

(c) DDA has reported that eviction/demolition programme are carried out from time to time to reclaim the encroached DDA land. During the period from April 2002 to March 2004, DDA has reclaimed 433.98 acres of land

**Water supply in Delhi**

2148. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state.

(a) whether it is a fact that areas adjoining Delhi are not getting purified drinking water;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) (a) to (c) The NCR Planning Board has informed that the States of Haryana and Uttar Pradesh have indicated that the areas in the respective States adjoining Delhi are being supplied with potable drinking water.

With a view to augment the existing drinking water supply, the NCR Planning Board has sanctioned loan amounting to Rs. 376.91 crores to the concerned State Governments for 17 drinking water projects in the National Capital Region.

**Expenditure on construction of houses**

†2149. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the expenditure incurred on the construction of houses has been constantly increasing for the past few years;

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